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PASTOR OF A THOUSAND VILLAGES

D. O. CUNNINGHAM, INDIA.

I HAVE more than a thousand villages in my parish. Some I get to twice a week; some once a month, others once a year, and *many I have not yet seen*. I am trying to work the field intensively. That is, to fire with a rifle rather than a shot-gun.

If young folks at home only knew the tremendous need of these ignorant, superstitious, sinful, heathen scavengers, I am sure more would come. This awful immoral and unreligious pain and suffering should call as loudly as the physical pain and suffering from the present war. India's call for spiritual nurses and doctors and soldiers, men and women of courage and self-sacrifice, is just as loud and pathetic as any call from the battlefields of Europe. The difference is the difference between physical pain and death, and spiritual suffering and death. The healing of one has to do with *time*; the healing of the other has to do with both time and *eternity*. The first appeals to physical heroism; the second to moral and spiritual heroism. The first is awarded by a Victoria or Iron Cross; the second by a Victor's crown.

Financial Exhibit.

The following is the financial exhibit of the Foreign Society for the first six months of the current missionary year:

	1916	1917	Gain
Contributions from Churches	2,356	1,785	*571
Contributions from Sunday-schools	236	208	*28
Contributions from C. E. Societies	607	820	213
Contributions from Individuals	429	574	145
Amounts	\$96,499 86	\$112,951 50	\$16,451 64

Comparing the receipts from different sources show the following:

	1916	1917	Gain
Churches	\$50,654 16	\$51,904 45	\$1,250 29
Sunday-schools	3,299 67	2,341 36	*958 31
C. E. Societies	3,967 86	5,476 30	1,508 44
Individuals and Million Dollar Campaign Fund	21,444 10	31,119 99	9,675 89
Miscellaneous	1,923 65	3,964 37	2,040 72
Annuities	13,925 00	17,225 00	3,300 00
Bequests	1,285 42	920 03	*365 39

*Loss.

Gain in regular receipts, \$13,517.03; gain in annuities, \$3,300; loss in bequests, \$365.39.

Send all offerings to F. M. Rains, Secretary, Box 884, Cincinnati, Ohio.

And a little child shall lead them.

Only as the church fulfills her missionary obligation does she justify her existence.

"In one hundred years Tibet will be the keystone in the arch of Asia."

More people attend our churches on Children's Day than any other Sunday of the entire year.

You can have a good offering without the program, but you cannot have a good program without the offering.

The great aim and purpose of Children's Day is the offering. Give the offering first place.

Children do about what they are taught. Teach them to do big, unselfish things and they will respond.

Every church should support two pastors—one for the *thousands* at home, the other for the *millions* abroad.—Jacob Chamberlain.

"Geography, commerce, and the spread of the Christian religion have singularly enough a common history."

Robert E. Speer says: "Thirty million half fed Chinese children will cry themselves to sleep to-night."

Children's Day is a testing time. It is a time for self-expression. Let the Sunday-school express itself in a large offering for the world's needs.

"Indifference to missions is the worst kind of treason. Enthusiasm for missions is the measure both of our faith in Christ and of our love to man."—Henry Van Dyke.

Nothing really hinders the church except that which is on the inside. The only unbelief that can hinder the church is the unbelief of believers.

The church at Mayfield, Kentucky, sends in their whole \$600 at once for their Living-link. They support H. C. Hobgood in Africa, and are very happy in this relationship.



The above is a picture of the teacher and boys' class in the Euclid Avenue Christian Bible School which raised more than twice as much per capita as any other class in the school. The above statement means more than appears at first glance, when you consider that the Euclid Avenue school led the schools of our entire Brotherhood last year. Several months before the offering is taken, each class is apportioned a definite amount which it is expected to raise, thus giving them time and opportunity to work for their amount in a systematic manner. The class shown above was apportioned \$7.50, but to the surprise of all turned in \$52.75. The teacher of the class is Mr. Redge F. Henn.

In the Harvard Medical School, Shanghai, China, 43 young men entered into competitive examination to do a certain type of work. Only 21 passed and 18 of these were Christians.

Africa needs the money; China needs it, but most of all the *child needs to give it*, for his own sake. Remember, when you have taught a child to give to Foreign Missions you have *blessed the child*.

A friend in Marshalltown, Iowa, who is sick in bed and not able to attend the church services, sends in \$3 on the One-Day Wage Plan. Many gifts are coming in on this plan from friends all over the country.

E. R. Moon, of Bolenge, Africa, writes that recently they had had twenty-six baptisms, and that Dr. Barger has been helping Dr. Frymire in some difficult major operations.

Prof. H. T. Sutton in a great missionary address said: "Brethren, I wish I could preach like the devil. He gets people to believe they *can't*. What mighty things could be done if the church would only believe it *can*!"

A good brother in Colorado, in sending in an offering three times as much as their apportionment, says: "As we have no preacher at present to support, more was given to missions to make up our apportionment for the past two years."

Children's Day blesses the local church as much as the work to which the money is

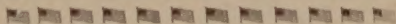


REDGE F. HENN, Teacher.

given. This is a two-sided affair. You help the Foreign Society, to be sure, but the very doing it helps your school and your church. To teach unselfishness is one of your biggest tasks.

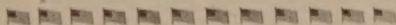
Two of the annuity givers of the Foreign Society have recently died. Mrs. Phoebe Thornsberry, of Barnesville, Ohio, and Mrs. Mary Anderson, of Elmoro, Ohio. These good women have contributed to the annuity fund generously in the past.

J. A. Canby, pastor of the church at Uhrichsville, Ohio, writes that now they are giving \$114 a month for missions in addition to \$450 for the Christian Woman's Board of Missions. When he took the pastorate there six years ago the church offering was about \$20 a month.



Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,

To Thee we sing;
Long may the world be bright
With Freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.



The church at Wexford, Michigan, was apportioned \$12 for Foreign Missions, and has gone to the splendid amount of \$125. They will take up the support of two evangelists in Africa. This is cheering news from a small congregation like this. The minister's name is Charles W. Starr, Manton, Mich.

One of the most encouraging contributions we have received is from Kilsyth, Ontario, Canada. It is \$105.75, while the apportionment to the church was only \$60. The Canadian people are supporting loyally the work of Foreign Missions in the midst of all the hardship which is incurred by the great world war.



Charles Preston Hedges, Jr., aged two and one half years. Native name "Lokange." The first and only white baby born at Longa, Africa, one hundred miles up the river from Bolonge. He was a great curiosity among the natives. They came twenty-five, fifty, and even as far as a hundred miles to see him.

Mrs. Sallie K. Jones, of Corydon, Indiana, writes that the One-Day Wage Plan went splendidly in their church. One man gave \$10, who had not been so deeply interested before. The One-Day Wage Plan seems to be appealing strongly to the people throughout the whole Brotherhood.

A Presbyterian missionary speaking on "*America's Best for the World*," said: "What is America's best? Commerce is not America's best; our diplomacy is not America's best; our charity is not America's best. It is our religion. If we are to give the world our very best, we must give them our religion. We must show them Jesus, our Saviour and the world's Saviour."

M. Oiwa, pastor of our Christian Church of Osaka, Japan, who is a graduate of the College of Missions, writes as follows: "Since the European War broke out, the already hard work of evangelizing Japan has been made increasingly harder. It is gratifying to notice, however, those recently converted Christians who are living in the atmosphere less favorable for Christianity than a decade ago are found more thoroughly consecrated and devoted to Christ than others."

On the 9th of January, Joseph G. Eldred, the father of Robert Ray and W. G. Eldred, passed to his reward. He died in Quincy, Mich., at the age of seventy-five. When his wife died he gave the same amount for missions as the casket in which she was buried cost him. And just before his death he requested that whatever his children decided to put into his casket, a like sum might be taken from the estate and given for the spread of the gospel into the needy parts of the earth.

The church at Longa, Africa has raised enough to support fifteen evangelists and their wives. Four of the fifteen are supported by the Hedges and the Johnstons; that is, each white missionary has his and her own evangelist. Yoka Petelo, the carpenter and ex-chief of Bokakya, voluntarily offered to support his own evangelist. He is the rich man of Bethany Station. Considering how poor these people are, a church of about 120 supporting eleven teachers and their wives, twenty-two of its own members, the other eight being supported by the white missionaries, is not so bad.

The mighty work of God in China to-day, as conducted by all Protestant communions, is now represented by 5,338 foreign missionaries, 20,460 Chinese ministers, teachers, and evangelists; 6,716 stations and out-stations; 4,748 primary schools; 902 academies, colleges, and industrial, medical, nurses' and normal schools; 330 hospitals; 76 special institutions, such as orphanages, leper asylums, homes for untainted children of lepers, boarding schools for the blind and for deaf mutes, rescue homes for fallen women, opium refuges, industrial homes and an asylum for the insane; 3,880 churches with 330,926 members; a Christian community of 750,000, and property valued at a million of dollars.

Our veteran young missionary at Chuchow, W. Remfry Hunt, recently had the pleasure of a conversation with Mr. C. T. Wang, the vice-president of the Senate in Peking. Mr. Wang represents the new element of progressive religious and political reform in China. Mr. Wang teaches a select Bible study class every Lord's Day morning in the capitol. The members of the class are members of parliament and high officials in the various government boards. In view of the present agitation among the military generals, who are advocating the official and government recognition of Confucianism as the state religion, Mr. Wang's attitude is fine. He believes that Christianity will win, if this suicidal war does not check it too seriously.

I covet the gift of a sanctified imagination which can look down long highways into distant futurity. For instance, when an apostle like Paul walks into imperial Rome, utterly unheeded and ignored, I would like the power of being able to foresee some of the amazing possibilities of that lonely entrance. When James Gilmore crosses the frontier into Mongolia, and sets his single plow to the upturning of the soil on that mighty land, I would have the eye that can see coming harvests, vast reaches of waving corn, shining ripe before the face of the Lord. When the New Testament is translated into a new language I would have the power of seeing the tremendous influence of the modest Book, the light it will bring, and the warmth, and the moving air, and the genial liberty.—Dr. J. H. Jowett.

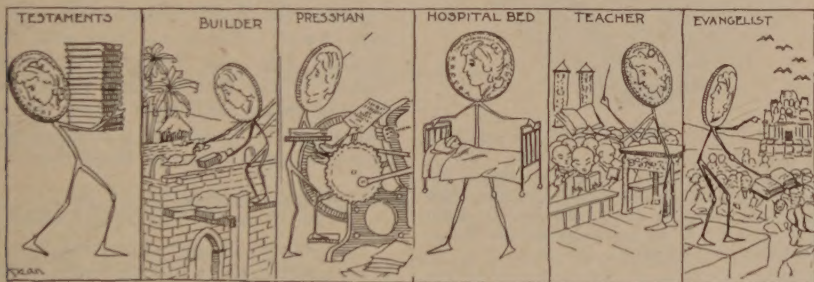
IS THERE NEED FOR CHRISTIAN UNION?

A world traveler asked a Chinese convert, "Are you a Christian?" The confused Oriental replied, "No, I'm a Dutch Reformed Chinaman."

A BROTHER ENCLOSING \$10 WRITES:

"What a wonderful opportunity offers itself to the people of God in India! I almost tremble to think that God may take the opportunity from us, if we refuse to respond, and give it to another people more worthy than we. My prayer is that God's people may measure up to our responsibility."

"America asks nothing for herself which she does not ask for the rest of the world."—Woodrow Wilson.



"Next to man, money is the most humanest thing on earth."

The average of a generation in the non-Christian lands is about twenty-five years. In the Christian lands it is about forty-eight years. Two generations pass there while one passes here.

It takes more than a New Testament doctrine to make a New Testament church. It takes a New Testament task and it takes New Testament men and women to carry out that task, and it will take also a New Testament ideal of stewardship before the task is completed.

Wm. Borden, one of the students in Yale, although he was a millionaire, when asked by one of his associates why he did not buy an automobile, said: "Get thee behind me Satan. The money which I would spend for an automobile would build a hospital in China."

HENS STIR UP THE MEN.

"I note in the latest INTELLIGENCER that the average hen lays eight dozen eggs in a year. I note, too, from market reports that eggs will be a dollar a dozen by another winter. Now I want to be worth as much as three hens this year, hence the enclosed check for \$25."

AN OFFERING FROM THE U. S. NAVY.

"I am enclosing you \$10, the personal offering of a teen-age boy who is in the U. S. Navy and far from home. He has sent his offering of \$10 from his monthly wages."—(Signed) M. F. Ingraham.

FROM A LAYMAN.

I wonder why preachers quit preaching about the great missionary program when they adopt the budget system of church finance. Here and at ——— I find this condition, and we in the pews need information—information in great chunks to keep us up and getting there in doing the work of the church. Tell the preachers that we laymen want them to preach on missions, even if we do have the budget system. We want to know the facts. The facts will do us all good.

THE BIBLE A POPULAR BOOK.

BIBLE TO BE USED IN LITERARY TESTS.

Washington, March 27.—Reading matter for a literacy test for aliens under the new immigration law will be taken from the Bible, the Department of Labor announced to-day.



MARY WAKEFIELD.

Mary Wakefield, eight years old, who died of scarlet fever in Luchowfu, China, on March 18. Mary was the oldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Wakefield, an unusually sweet and lovable child. A host of people will be remembering the Wakefields in this hour of sorrow.

Passages will be selected in more than one hundred languages and dialects. "This is not because the Bible is considered a sacred book by many people," said the department's announcement, "but because it is now the only book in virtually every tongue."

MISSIONARY FATHERS.

To J. H. Fillmore, father of Anna Louise Fillmore, missionary to China:

"Do you know I think of you, Mr Fillmore, as just about the ideal father-of-a-missionary? Your willingness to have Anna Louise come out, and your joy in her being here, and your interest in her work, is certainly all too uncommon among the fathers-of-missionaries. Anna Louise has endeared herself to the hearts of all of us already. I think she is going to make as ideal a missionary as her father is a missionary-father. Surely she will be a cheer and comfort to your old age—if you ever have old age."

"PEARL MAUDE T. SARVIS."

UNITED PRESBYTERIANS RAISE STANDARD.

Action of the 1916 General Assembly: "That the Assembly solemnly declare as its deep conviction that no congregation in the

church should give less than an average of 10 cents per week per member, as the minimum, for the Budget Missionary Work, and that every congregation not now up to that point of liberality be directed to take steps at once to advance to that point, as the minimum attainment which the United Presbyterian Church shall regard as in any sense satisfactory or creditable in the discharge of a congregation's duty in missionary contributions."

ABE CORY'S NEW BOOK.

Abe Cory's book entitled "Think Peace," issued from the Standard Press and dedicated to the peace organizations of the world, is a gem. If the nations had been thinking peace instead of war, they would not now be seeking one another's overthrow. Here are some of the texts cited: "Be at Peace;" "Live in Peace;" "On Earth Peace;" "Peace I Leave with You;" "Grace to You and Peace;" "Follow After the Things That Make for Peace;" "God Hath Called Us to Peace;" "Follow Peace with All;" "Love the Truth and Peace." Amid the horrors of war we cannot do better than to think peace.

FROM A NEW MISSIONARY.

I am simply happier every day to be here. It's a great country and these are a wonderful people. And how I prize the deepening friendship that is growing up between these Chinese with whom I am thrown and myself. With still a meager knowledge of the language, we are friends—for love wins its way every time.

I am surely enjoying the language study, and really it is much easier than I ever dreamed. This language school takes off so very many of the rough edges. Tell candidates and folks at home that it is really "not half bad" nowadays.

Nanking, China.

CAMMIE GRAY.

NO ICE CREAM CONES IN CONGO.

How would you like to go for three years without an ice cream cone or a nut sundae? Well, that's what happens to all of our missionaries on the Congo. There are no corner drug stores where they can get a cooling drink. There are no skating ponds in the winter on the equator. For three long years the missionaries see no ice, nor ice cream, nor any of the nice little luxuries which we enjoy so much here in America.

They give up all this gladly and much more to advance the kingdom among the children of the forest.

What will you sacrifice this year for the progress of the Kingdom?

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 15th, 1884.

Dear Friend:

The first Lord's day in May is Missionary Day in the Sunday Schools. This is the time for a Collection for Heathen Missions. I write you at this ~~early~~ early day that you may announce the fact several times in advance. A Missionary concert would help create enthusiasm and would swell the Collection.

We have now eight missionaries in heathen lands. Besides supporting them, the Board wants to buy a home for those in India. They are now so crowded that some of them have to sleep in a tent. Children are offered them to adopt as their own, but they can not take them for want of room. We wish to give them a home large enough for themselves and as many children as they can care for. We want every School and every child to aid in this work.

We employ no financial agents. Will you kindly see that a collection is lifted and forwarded in the inclosed envelope.

On behalf of the Board,

Box 570.

A. McLean, Cor. Sec'y.

AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED BY
SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

YEAR	AMOUNT
1881.....	750 00
1885.....	5,125 00
1890.....	17,765 00
1895.....	27,553 00
1900.....	42,705 00
1905.....	61,817 00
1910.....	90,251 00
1915.....	93,688 00

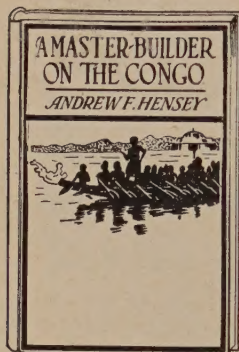
YEAR	AMOUNT
1916.....	99,530 00
1917.....	?

We want 1917 to reach \$125,000.

Mr. McLean has been with the Foreign Society for thirty-five years. Great changes have taken place since he wrote the above letter in 1884. Then we had eight missionaries; now 187. Then the Sunday-schools gave less than \$5,000; last year they gave \$99,530.

THE MASTER BUILDER ON THE CONGO.

In preparation for the Children's Day service for June 3, when the life of Ray



Eldred in Africa will be emphasized, those in charge of the program will be greatly inspired by reading A. F. Hensey's book on the life and work of Mr. Eldred and his wife, "The Master Builder on the Congo." This is a great missionary biography with a very unusual hero and heroine. Study

classes and reading circles find this volume splendidly adapted. Cloth bound, 50 cents, post-paid.

VACHEL LINDSAY'S PROPHECY.

(From his poem "The Congo," written after hearing a sermon on Foreign Missionary Work in Africa.)

Then along that river a thousand miles
The vine-snared trees fell down in files.
Pioneer angels cleared the way
For a Congo paradise, for babes at play,
For sacred capitals, for temples clean.
Gone where the skull-faced witch-men lean.
There, where the wild ghost-gods had wailed,
A million boats of the angels sailed
With oars of silver and prows of blue
And silken pennants that the sun shone
through.

'Twas a land transfigured, 'twas a new crea-
tion.

Oh, a singing wind swept the negro nation
And on through the backwoods clearing flew:
"Mumbo-Jumbo is dead in the jungle.
Never again will he hoo-doo you.
Never again will he hoo-doo you."

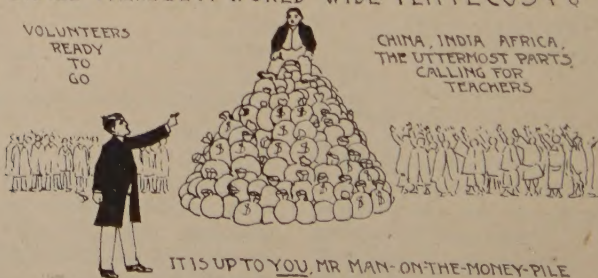


These are the children of Leon M. Baña, an evangelist who has been continuously in the Philippine Mission for more than ten years, during which time all these children have been born. They are beautiful, promising children. Mr. Baña gives special attention to Sunday-school work and has had marked success.

TO THE MAN IN THE PIT THERE'S A DIFFERENCE.

An unknown writer is responsible for this allegory: A man, walking through a field, fell into a horrible pit, from which it was impossible for him to extricate himself. By and by there came and looked into the pit a man of scholarly mien. "Poor fellow," he said, "I will repeat for you some of my wise sayings about the folly of falling into pits," but he went his way and left the distressed man no better off for his philosophy. That was Confucius. Another was attracted by the cries of the distressed man, and came and regarded him with pity. "My heart bleeds for you," he said. "If you could reach the state of nothingness, you would not suffer," but he left the poor man where he found him. That was Buddha. Another came and looked into the pit. He reached down his great, strong arm and lifted the sufferer from the slime and set his feet upon the rock. That was Christ Jesus.

SHALL THERE BE A WORLD-WIDE PENTECOST?



"The call of the world is God's call. The dollars of the world are God's dollars, and it is our job to get the two together."—Ted Rodefer.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW FOR THE SUMMER CONFERENCES OF THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION MOVEMENT.

The dates and places are as follows:

Blue Ridge, N. C. June 22 to July 1.
Silver Bay, N. Y. July 6 to July 15.
Estes Park, Col. July 13 to July 22.
Asilomar, Cal. July 17 to July 26.
Ocean Park, Me. July 20 to July 29.
Lake Geneva, Wis. July 27 to Aug. 5.
Seabeck, Wash. July 30 to Aug. 8.

The Foreign Society will have the following representatives present at these conferences: Secretary Bert Wilson, Assistant Secretary Rodney McQuary, C. P. Hedges and wife, from Africa, will be present at Lake Geneva.

Mr. Emory Ross, of Africa; Miss Myrta Pearson, of Africa, both of the C. W. B. M., will also be at Lake Geneva.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Madden will be at Seabeck, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal J. Dye will be at Asilomar, Cal.

Mr. W. G. Menzies, of India, under the C. W. B. M., will be at Estes Park.

We are planning to have representatives at some of the other conferences, but at this date we are unable to give the names of those who will be present.

The American Society and the C. W. B. M. are also planning to have representatives at some of these other conferences.



AN ORGANIZED ADULT BIBLE CLASS CONFERENCE IN CHINA.

This photograph was taken in the beautiful grounds of the city Y. M. C. A. at Foochow. The Y. M. C. A. was formerly the residence of a Chinese official. Many of these official residences have beautiful gardens with imitation stone work, summer houses, etc.

The organized class movement is a new movement in China. It was started by our own Secretary, R. A. Doan, when he visited China three years ago. He spoke to as many as 1,000 men in a Buddhist temple in China. The World's Sunday School Association now employs a Secretary for full time to promote the organized Adult Bible classes for men. The adult Bible classes in America could do no greater thing than to make it possible for thousands of such classes to be organized in China.

"THE HOPE OF THE WORLD."



JESUS AND THE WORLD CHILDREN. THE NEW CHILDREN'S DAY POSTER.

This picture entitled "The Hope of the World" is a reproduction of a painting by the English artist Harold Copping. It was painted in 1915 especially for the London Missionary Society. The five children represent the five great races of mankind. Thus, the picture represents the living Christ, gathering to himself the children of all the races.

Out of the devastation and the suffering and sorrow caused by the World War, all hearts turn to the risen Christ, who is indeed the Hope of the World.

Children's Day, the first Sunday in June, holds up Jesus as the Hope of Japan and China, India and Africa, Tibet and the Islands of the Sea.

The offering taken on that day will send the Messengers of His gospel to the children of the world who are living under the shadow of heathenism. It will mean salvation to thousands who have not yet heard the name of the Saviour of the World.

Every Sunday school should have a part in this great world task. The need was never so great. Let us make our offerings the largest in the history of the Foreign Society.

This picture 12 x 17½ inches, without any printing, suitable for framing will be sent in a tube, postpaid for 20 cents. We have only a limited supply.

EDITORIAL.

The War and Missions.

One thing should be borne in mind, namely this—the war should not be allowed to interfere with our missionary operations. The sacrificial spirit that the war is certain to call out will make it possible to go forward. If the friends of Christ will determine to go forward, and will permit no thought of retrenchment to enter their minds, we will go forward. Some of the English societies are doing as well since the war began as before, and some are doing better. In the second year of the war the income of the Church Missionary Society was one hundred and twenty thousand dollars larger than the income of the year previous. The China Inland Mission not only maintained its work, but enlarged it. In the time of the Civil War, the Methodist Episcopal Church carried on its own mission work and the work of the Southern Methodist, and at the close of the war had half a million dollars in its treasury. For the past two and a half years our Canadian Churches have been sending us their offerings for Foreign Missions as usual. They observed the March Offering and sent in their money. Every day their orders are being received for Children's Day supplies. The Canadian churches can always be depended upon to do their part in the giving of life and of money. Frank Coop, of England, gave a personal gift of \$150.00 in March.

If our own Canadian and English brethren can continue their gifts during the war, so can the people of the United States. We can go forward during the war if we will.

Missionaries Needed At the Front At Once.

The following workers are needed to fill real emergencies in the mission fields:

A family to fill the important vacancy in the educational work at Vigan, P. I. Our Bible College there has discontinued because there is no one to direct it.

A single woman to join Miss Adamson in beginning the much-needed girls' school at Laoag, P. I.

A medical family for Africa to meet a vital need both for the natives and to guard the health of the missionaries in an isolated station.

Two educational families to meet

the great need in China in this hour of her open doors.

Three single women for girls' school work in China. There is no greater opportunity than this.

Two families to open a new station in China. This opportunity has been long delayed.

Three single women for India to answer the call of the zenana and the cry of India's pitiful women.

Two evangelistic families for Japan to press the advantage of the great evangelistic movement of the Japanese themselves.

The Lord's army needs volunteers—strong of body, courageous in spirit, well trained in mind. Who will go?

The Suffering of the World—A Call.

There never was such suffering in all the world as there is to-day. Almost like a funeral dirge comes the cry and call and need from all parts of the earth. As Christ entered into the suffering of the people and ministered to them, so must we enter into the suffering of the Christless people of the world.

The Suffering of the Poor.—The missionaries are living in the midst of millions of people who are poor. Their houses are small, their wages are very low; some do not exceed \$2 per month, to others \$50 or \$75 per year is a very large salary. Millions go to bed hungry every night. One medical missionary reports that two winters ago, in a city of 20,000, at least 800 people died on the streets, literally starved to death. **WE MUST FEED THE POOR.**

The Suffering of the Ignorant.—There's always suffering among the ignorant. They know nothing of sanitation and hygiene. Our missionaries built the first school houses ever seen in certain parts of Central Africa. Millions of pagan people cannot read nor write. Bright little children grow up without any chance of getting an education. Our missionaries have nearly 20,000 now in their Sunday-schools, and over 6,000 in day-schools. Your Children's Day dollars will **HELP TEACH THE IGNORANT.**

The Suffering of the Idolatrous.—There's untold suffering wherever Christ is not known. No blessing can come from the false gods of heathenism. Thousands of people go to public places and bow down before images of wood and bronze and stone. Every member of the family who is old enough worships before the god-shelf—the heathen family altar. No one has yet told them that Christ died for them. We have some volunteers ready to go and tell them. Your

Children's Day offering will send new missionaries to **PREACH CHRIST IN THE MIDST OF HEATHEN DARKNESS.**

The Suffering of the Sick.—What would you do if your own child was very sick to-night? You would have the doctor there in thirty minutes. But in heathen lands millions have no doctor to whom they can go. At the very moment this message is being written, word comes that the plague is raging in India. In one field people are 500 miles away from a missionary doctor. In another field there is only one doctor among 1,000,000 people. How do the people live with so few doctors? That's the tragedy. **THEY DON'T LIVE, THEY DIE!** Dr. Osgood, of China, says: "Walking through the fields of China is like walking through a graveyard. Graves everywhere. There are more people under the ground than there are on top. China is SICK. China is DYING." We must send more medical missionaries **TO HEAL THE SICK.**

The Suffering of the Children.—Can you not hear the bitter cry of the heathen children? To-day 26,000,000 child widows of India cry out in protest against the custom of child marriage. In Africa little girls eight, ten, and twelve years of age are sold as slaves or wives at \$10 apiece. In China thousands of girl babies are cast out by their parents to die. In one district not more than one baby girl in ten is allowed to live. One poor ignorant Chinese mother whose baby was killed at birth cried out, "My little baby girl clings to my heart night and day." This is a real picture of China and all heathenism where the gospel has no grip. The need of the childhood of the race is insistently calling to us. Children's Day is the time for the children of America to **HELP THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD.**

The Answer of the American Children.

The Answer of Knowledge.—The children of America have a right to know of the suffering and need of their little brothers and sisters across the seas. The children must know God's Book, but they must also know God's world. What a child knows it is bound to tell. If 100 Sunday-school pupils are deeply impressed by the definite needs of the heathen children at ten o'clock in the morning, 200 parents will hear about it before the noon-day meal is finished. It is the duty of every superintendent and teacher to bring these facts to the knowledge of the entire school. Adequate preparation for Children's Day WILL HELP THE CHILDREN TO KNOW.

The Answer of Sympathy.—Among children, to know is also to sympathize. Why should we move upon the feelings and sympathies of the American children? Because these children must learn to think in world terms. There is no race prejudice among children. If we teach them to sympathize with the children of the world we will raise up a new race of Christians, who will help to meet the needs of all the nations of the earth. A great Children's Day program will bring tens of thousands of American children into DEEPEST SYMPATHY WITH THE SUFFERING HEATHEN CHILDREN.

The Answer of Unselfishness.—To know and to sympathize means to help. American children should be told these definite facts of suffering and need, that they may assist in lifting these burdens. What greater need among American children than to be taught the great principle of unselfishness. No child will be selfish if he is properly taught. The appeal, therefore, of the need of the little

children of the race must be so put upon the hearts of the American children that they will gladly and unselfishly help to relieve that need. CHILDREN'S DAY SHOULD BE A TRIUMPH OF UNSELFISHNESS.

The Answer of Money.—It not only takes knowledge and sympathy and unselfishness to relieve this need, but it also takes money. Money will send missionaries, medicines, Bibles, school-houses, food, and clothing. Every child should be taught that his full duty is not performed until he has given some money to help relieve this awful suffering. To put this great need upon the heart of the child, and fail to make it possible for him to answer it, is to sin against the child. Report comes from one school last year of some children who refused to buy chewing gum, peanuts, ice cream cones, and similar luxuries from April 1st to June 1st, in order that they might have at least one dollar apiece in their Children's Day envelopes. Give the children a chance, and they WILL ANSWER THIS CALL WITH MONEY.

The Answer of Prayer.—What children know about, sympathize with, and give money to, they will pray for. The heavenly Father will listen to the prayers of the children. When they lift up their voices in simple, earnest prayer, he hears. The new Children's Day poster shows our Lord with the children from the different races of mankind about him. He loves them all, and the children of Christian parents should be so taught to pray that at some future time THE CHILDREN OF THE WHOLE WORLD WILL BE ABLE TO GATHER AROUND THE KNEES OF THEIR COMMON LORD.

China Gets the "Kan" "Tung" in the Adult Classes

A "DEMONSTRATION" OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

GIVEN BY DR. COOPER AT THE FOÖCHOW CONFERENCE, MARCH, 1916.

The picture is a rather unique one in connection with Sunday-school work. In the China Sunday-school Union Schools of Method a demonstration is usually given of the human nervous system. We wish to base our work in Religious Pedagogy on definite psychological and physiological principles. One of these principles is of course "No impression without expression." A Chinese phrase, "Kan tung," expresses these two ideas very well: "kan" means "stimulus." "tung" means "action;" the two words together mean "influence." We can thus strikingly "read into" the Chinese phrase the "sensory-motor" circuit.

In the photograph is seen a half section of a goat, which was prepared beforehand to illustrate the physiological structure underlying the sensory-motor track. The direct path of

the nervous impulse from the eye through the optic nerve to the brain, then on down the spinal cord, and thence by the sciatic nerve and its branches to the muscles in the hind-leg, is most clearly seen. This ocular demonstration of the actual connection between the "kan" (stimulus) and the "tung" (action) never fails to impress the delegates with the importance of the two factors in "influence;" in fact, they are led to speak of the Sunday-school as a "Kan Tung Tang"—a sensory-motor hall, a hall of influence.

Centuries of "kan" without "tung" have almost devitalized the Chinese race. Our effort is to so impress upon them the law of God written so clearly on the "fleshy tables of the heart" that they will never be satisfied merely with "stimulating" their classes, but will so follow up the stimulus as to



CHINA GETS THE "KAN" "TUNG" IN THE ADULT CLASSES.

make sure that it issues in some definite activity.

The delegates were given this dem-

onstration in two sections. The photograph shows only the demonstration given to the men.

Reaching the \$125,000.

Can our splendid progressive Bible Schools raise \$125,000 this year for Foreign Missions? We believe they can, and will. They have made an increase each year from the very beginning of the work.

Our Bible Schools are progressive. Our Bible School leaders are forward-looking people. They are not content with the attainments of yesterday. They believe that the good is the enemy of the better, and that the better is the enemy of the best. The needs

are more urgent and compelling than at any time in the world's history. Money will do more in its ministry of mercy than ever before, and the opportunities for effective service are greater. The world to-day is a Macedonia.

On the other hand, our people are richer than ever before. We have the money. Our past training and record is an argument for us to exceed ourselves in Christian liberality.

Let every school do its best and we will easily raise the \$125,000.

Lloyd George's Call to Sacrifice.

Every word of this great call can be applied to the Foreign Missionary program.

"I will tell you what I want to do. I want to see checks hurtling through the air, fired from the city of London; fired from every city, town, village, and hamlet throughout the land; fired straight into the intrenchments of the enemy.

"Every well-directed check, well loaded, properly primed, is a more formidable weapon of destruction than a twelve-inch shell. It clears a path to the barbed-wire entanglements for our gallant fellows to march through. A big loan helps you, insures victory; a big loan will help shorten the war; it will help save lives; it will help save the British Empire; it will help save Europe; it will help save civilization.

"Let no man, no woman in this crisis of the nation's fate, through indolence, greed, avarice, or selfishness,

fail. Let no money be squandered in luxury and indulgence which can be put into the fight and which counts—every penny of it; every ounce has counted in this struggle. Do not waste it, do not throw it away; put it here to help the valor of our brave young boys. Back them up! Let every one contribute to assist them, with greater pride in it than in costly garments.

"Men and women of England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland! The first charge upon all your surplus money, over your needs for yourselves and your children, should be to help those gallant young men who tendered their lives to the cause of humanity. The more we get the surer the victory; the more we get the less it will cost in treasure, and the greatest treasure of all is brave blood. The more you give the more you will be enriched by your contribution, by your sacrifices of extravagance."

\$600,000 by September 30.

We are making great strides to reach the new standard set by the Des Moines Convention.

The Christian Endeavor Societies are outdoing themselves. They have given \$1,508 more than last year, up to this time.

A large number of churches have more than doubled their offerings of last year. A goodly number have become Living-links during March and April.

The individual offerings are \$9,675 ahead of this time last year. A host of individuals have sent offerings on the One-Day Income Plan. Several individuals recently have begun the

support of their own missionaries at \$600 per year. Others are carefully considering doing so. Many large individual and annuity gifts are coming in. Several have sent in \$500 each; nine have each sent \$1,000, one has given \$1,400, and another recently sent a check for \$4,800. The gain in regular receipts is \$13,517, and in annuities \$3,300.

This is a great record thus far. Only five months remain to the close of the missionary year, September 30. Let there be a continual increase from every source. If we can report the full \$600,000 raised at the Kansas City Convention, it will send a thrill of inspiration around the world.

A Creed for Christian Stewardship.

I BELIEVE:

1. My money is mine, only in trust. It belongs to God, just as I do.
2. Money is not filthy lucre. It is stored up human power. It is the expression of life's energy. It is so much of my life set at work. Its content is essentially spiritual.
3. God is counting on my money for his work. It is to send out his gospel and his workers, and help bring in a new kingdom of righteousness.
4. To spend my income rightly is one of my first tasks as a Christian.
5. I should set aside a definite proportion of my income for his gospel's work. I do this,

I BELIEVE:

- In acknowledgement of God's ownership of my possessions. To guard against my own selfishness. Because it is business-like.
6. The proportion set aside should be *not less than one-tenth of my income*. I am receiving from God far more than any previous generation. One tenth shall not be the limit of my giving. I ought to give more if I am able.
 7. I should invest my money for God carefully. I should study the church's work, that I may give wisely. I should pray with my giving.

Prayer of a Native Evangelist in Africa.

"O God, have you no more white teachers left in America? We need a teacher with need itself. We have only one white man for all the work, and we do not hear of any other

coming. If there are some there still, let thy Holy Spirit seek out a teacher for us, and let him come soon. And give him much fluency of speech, that he may quickly teach us thy gospel."

CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES.

Their Inheritance.

E. R. MOON.

While I am penning these words I am not within the borders of Christian America, but in the heart of the dark continent, within a stone's throw of the equator. Yes, I am at Bolenge, and there is no place in the world where I would rather be, for this is one of the spots in this dark land that has been illuminated by God's love. But I am wondering to-day what is to be the inheritance of the children in the thousands of villages still in the darkest of heathenism.

I wish to show you a few pictures, not imaginary ones, but real things that have happened and are happening to-day. The first pictures are of heathenism:

Picture No. 1.—We enter a village. The war drums are sounding. As we approach nearer we see the men in war paint and armed with native weapons of warfare. We learn that they are preparing to go against a neighboring village. There has been a feud of long standing between them. Once before they fought with that village and killed and ate one of its men. Later they were attacked and two of their men taken off to be eaten by their neighbors. As this put their neighbors one ahead, they are now preparing for revenge. We try to pacify them, but their only answer is that they will not fight while we are there, but will as soon as we are gone. That is their inheritance from their fathers. Shall we leave it as the only inheritance of their children?

Picture No. 2.—As we draw near another village we hear singing and presently a large crowd of women and girls, almost entirely nude, accom-

panied by a few drummers and trumpeters, come down the path singing and dancing. When they meet us they turn about and dance on before us into town, where in the wider streets of the village we are completely surrounded by this crowd, still singing and dancing and clapping their hands. Thus we are conducted to the house the chief has prepared for us. Unless stopped, they will sometimes dance on for hours. Singing and dancing does not fully describe the scene, for the indecency of it all is a shame even to mention. But these people do not feel shame. They have never worn clothes in their lives, and they have never known a moment's pleasure that was not born of the lusts of the flesh. But oh, how eagerly they drink in the message of God's love that we give them before they disperse!

Picture No. 3.—Again as we approach a village we hear the sound of many voices, but as we listen it is soon evident that it is not born of joy, for the high, shrill notes of heathen sorrow and despair are distinctly heard. The angel of death has been there, and where Christ is not known there is no balm for the broken heart, no hope to dispel the gloom of such an hour. The hopelessness of their despair is heard in every piercing wail. Because of their hopelessness, they are loth to part with the body of the dead. A shallow grave is dug near the house, the body well wrapped in native mats is supported on sticks above the grave and fires are built along each side. There the mourner sits and weeps and wails for days, sometimes for from three to six

months. A pool of water collects in the grave from rain and drippings from the decaying body. From this the mourner, in the depths of his despair, will sometimes drink. What a blessing a single glimpse of the Star of Bethlehem is to such a soul!

Picture No. 4.—The next picture is of white men. I am glad to say that there is an increasing number of government officials and traders who are showing a real interest in the welfare of the natives, but their number is still comparatively small. Many of them go to the very extreme of licentious living out here. This very day they are celebrating, but how? In ways that are a disgrace even to the heathen. Some of these men are so depraved that the world contains no joy for them except a bottle and a harlot. Through commercial intercourse the natives are bound to break away from their heathen practices, and through such men as these the worst sins of Europe are taking their place so that the last state of the native will be worse than the first.

Picture No. 5.—Then we have the agents of Romanism out here, and what can be expected for the native from such a system, whose greatest strength lies in the ignorance of its adherents? They have schools only where they are compelled to compete with Protestantism. They constantly appeal to and make capital of the natives' superstition and belief in charms, so that instead of being freed, they are only bound the tighter by this organized system of deception.

Picture No. 6. Knowing Jesus makes a Difference.—Now with these pictures fresh in your mind, come with me back to Bolenge. It is Christmas. A large crowd of Christians have gathered in from many villages. Sunday witnessed the burial of a large number in Christian baptism. Early Christmas morning, about 4 A. M., the church bell sounds, a wooden drum is

heard beating off a merry Christmas message; another answers, then another, and another; then they settle into a rhythmic beat, and one not knowing might think that it was only the ordinary heathen dance; but presently singing is heard. As it draws nearer we soon distinguish tunes, the tunes we used to sing in the "Little Brown Church in the Dale." The singing increases in volume as scores of Christians in the north end of town form into a procession and march on toward the church. But listen. There is a similar group coming from the south end and another from the east side. We wait, and these three groups, now numbering several hundred, join together at the mission and march to the church, where, as the first peep of dawn shows in the east, they join in a fervent prayer meeting. After the meeting they march from end to end of the town singing and praising God.

At nine o'clock the bell sounds again, and they come from all sides, singing as they come, and file into the church again to hear the Christmas sermon. And again at three P. M., they gather at the church, this time joyfully bringing their thank-offering to lay at the Master's feet. In the evening the church is crowded to overflowing to hear a sermon on the life of Christ, illustrated by the stereopticon. All day long, when not in the church, and until late at night, there is no time when singing cannot be heard in some part of town. These people are not naked savages; they were, but now they are clothed and in their right mind. The whole day has been but the overflowing of hearts filled with praise and thanksgiving to God for his "Unspeakable Gift."

Shall We Change the Pictures?—There are a few other spots similar to Bolenge, but the dark pictures such as I showed you first are a thousand to one. I close with these questions: What shall be the inheritance of the

multitude of children in the thousands of villages now in heathen darkness? Shall they inherit only the things that their fathers inherited, or the awful things brought by the agents of greed and avarice, or the curse of Roman superstition, or shall they have the same inheritance that our children

have, the same fullness of joy that we see here in Bolenge to-day? The same chance for an education, for preparation for an honest, useful career that your children and my children have? That depends on *you* and *me*. It is our work. If we fail, what shall our answer to the Lord be?

Another Hen Story.

BERT WILSON.

It seems that wonders will never cease. A story has just come to hand of the ladies of a church in Indiana wanting to raise money to repaint the parsonage. They planned to each secure a hen and take them to the public square of the Indiana village and then lead them from the square to the market where they were to be sold. A large crowd gathered when the women appeared in the square, each carrying a hen under her arm.

When the march began, the chickens refused to be led. It would not take much imagination to see a moving picture of that crowd. Imagine a high-heeled society woman carrying a hen under her arm for the good of the Kingdom. Imagine another woman, the wife of a stingy old deacon, carrying a setting hen, and when she made her offering, saying,

"Lord, take my hen, and let her be,
Consecrated all to thee."



Artemus Ward said he was willing to sacrifice all his wife's relations for the good of his country. Each of these women was willing to sacrifice a hen for the good of the Kingdom.

OUR NEW LEAFLET FOR

This is one side of the very unusual circular leaflet prepared for the teachers in our Sunday Schools. Enough of them are sent with each order of Children's Day supplies that every teacher in the school may have one. If for any reason these leaflets have been left out of your package of supplies, or if you can use more of them for distribution in your school or church, please let us know at once. The print here displayed does not give one attractive feature of the leaflet, which is printed in two colors. Showing dimly beneath the rotary pictures can be seen the outline of the Eastern Hemisphere, filling in the white space in the circle. Much thought was given to this pictorial representation of "The Missionary at Work," which has been our theme during the past five months of missionary instruction in the Sunday-school. It is our hope that this leaflet may have a widespread distribution in our churches. Teachers of adult classes may wish to order enough that each member of the class may have one. Endeavor Societies may wish to use the leaflet as the basis for a group of talks on the various phases of missionary work represented, using the sentences at the bottom of the separate pairs of pictures, as "He Redeems and Instructs," as subjects.



SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHERS.



It is to be regretted that the other side of the teacher's leaflet may not be shown also. It is very striking. An imprint of a silver dollar, with the eagle and "In God We Trust" showing bravely out as the background, the type matter covering it tells about "*The Dollar Helping the Missionary in Changing the Nations.*" Just how far a Missionary Dollar will go is shown in graphic word picture. But it does not stop there! It sets forth in graded amounts what can be accomplished by an increasing number of Missionary Dollars. The information given in this leaflet is always most welcome to our Sunday-school teachers and leaders in presenting to the boys and girls a concrete idea of what their offerings will do in foreign lands. If the teacher will use this leaflet as an object lesson before his class, really making clear and plain the relation of the Missionary Dollar to the work of the Kingdom, he will find the Children's Day offering coming in more cheerfully and liberally than ever before. It is intelligent giving that all missionary instruction results in. The "Dollar" side of this leaflet is real missionary education!

Good Plans for the Children's Day Program.

HOW TO PREPARE AND GIVE "JESUS' FOREST CHILDREN."

The Superintendent's Part.—All the communications in regard to Children's Day are mailed to the superintendent, with duplicate copies sent to the Missionary Secretary, when the name is available. It is the superintendent, therefore, who knows every detail of program and plans for the day. He should keep the matter before the teachers for weeks before the day, distributing the literature meant for them and consulting with them in regard to the special service. He should appoint a committee to have charge of the exercises and see that early preparation is begun. He should make public announcement of the day on every possible occasion.

The Minister's Part.—At the public church services the minister should speak of Children's Day, stating its purpose, emphasizing its importance, urging its claims, and giving it his personal endorsement. He should glance over the program, so as to be familiar with its contents, and mention one or two of its outstanding features. On Children's Day a good, instructive, inspiring sermon will be most helpful. Suggestive material to help in the preparation of this sermon will be provided.

The Teacher's Part.—The teacher may be of inestimable value in preparing the program for Children's Day. Keep the matter constantly before the pupils. If they are to be in the exercises, show an interest in their part and help them in giving the very best interpretation to their lines or songs. At the class hour for several Sundays before June 3, mention the coming celebration, explaining its meaning and importance.

The Children's Day Committee.—This may be the Missionary Com-

mittee of the Sunday-school, or it may be a special group of people selected to prepare and present "Jesus' Forest Children." In either case this committee should look after all the details of planning the program, securing the ones who are to be in it, and seeing that sufficient rehearsals are had to insure its best success. This committee should also look after the decorations in the church auditorium, using flowers, bunting, and in every way possible making the occasion one of beauty and inspiration.

"JESUS' FOREST CHILDREN."

The program prepared for Children's Day this year is one of unusual strength and interest. It begins with the Cradle Roll and takes into account the boys and girls of all ages. Used by graded schools, it will fit well into the departmental programs, but it may be used in schools that are not graded just as effectively. We are giving a few practical suggestions as to how to give the exercises contained in the Children's Day service in the most beneficial and attractive way.

First.—If possible, have a leader who will follow the program straight through, giving the suggested explanatory word before the numbers and bringing to the audience an understanding of the purpose of the day. You will find such an arrangement will make the program run smoothly and intelligently.

Second.—Give time and attention to the songs. Have a number of rehearsals, asking the best singers in the school to meet with the boys and girls, teaching them how to sing with expression and enthusiasm. If you have a choir leader have him give some instruction to the pupils.

Third.—The exercise "The True Story of Mrs. Missionary Dollar"

brings out the various phases of missionary work in brief, pointed style. The schools that are using the new graded missionary material on "How the Missionary Works" will see the advantage this gives in allowing the boys and girls to make public some of the facts they have been learning from week to week. This may be made a striking and impressive missionary lesson.

Fourth.—"Uncle Sam Takes an Inventory," if properly presented, will



R. RAY ELDRÉD.

give some interesting and startling statistics on the expenditures of the American people for self-indulgence, contrasted with their gifts for world-wide missions. We suggest that a blackboard exhibit or chart be made to emphasize the facts brought out.

"THE FOREST CHILDREN'S FRIEND."

Fifth.—The last half of the program will be devoted to an exercise on the life and work of R. Ray Eldred, of Africa. This cannot be given by small children, and is intended for the young men and women of the school. An excellent preparation for the presentation of this little demonstration would be the reading of "The Master Builder on the Congo," the life story

of Mr. and Mrs. Eldred. A copy of this book may be purchased for fifty cents from the Foreign Christian Missionary Society. It could be read by the group, giving the sketch and discussed at the time of rehearsals.

USE THE MAP.

The small map given in the supplement to the Children's Day Service should be enlarged and used in the presentation of the exercise. The stations where Mr. Eldred worked may be thus permanently located in the minds of the listeners and those who



take part. Through an oversight, "Tumba," the burial place of Mr. Eldred, was not mentioned, though it is clearly indicated on the map. When speaking of his death and burial, this point should be indicated.

If care and attention be given to the preparation of "Jesus' Forest Children," it will undoubtedly be of distinctly educational value to our Sunday-schools.

USE ENTIRE PROGRAM.

While the program is adaptable and may be cut down or added to as desired, we hope the schools will use it just as it is. It is intended to teach the thousands of boys and girls in the Sunday-schools something of the work of the Foreign Missionary in all lands, and especially about the life and work of Ray Eldred, the "Forest Children's

Friend." We believe the presentation of this program will make a lasting impression on the youth of our churches, showing the bigness of the world-field and the relation of the Sunday-school to the task. It tells what is being done with the money that comes into the treasury of the Foreign Society on Children's Day. It is a helpful, educational missionary service in attractive form that will appeal to everyone, young and old.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3.

THE GREAT DAY ITSELF.

Children's Day in the Sunday-school should be made a great missionary day all day. Half of the Children's Day service is on the life of Ray Eldred, so the morning sermon might well be on this theme, commemorating the life and work of this stalwart "Master Builder on the Congo," together with Mrs. Eldred. Suggestions as to such a sermon will be supplied by the Foreign Society.

THE OFFERING.

Make this stand out as the paramount issue. Now is the time to gather in the harvest of the sown seed of missionary instruction, missionary prayer. The time for expression has come. It has been found a good plan to take in the money that has been saved in the classes during the year at the regular Sunday-school hour, listing the classes on the blackboard and placing the amount each has raised opposite the name. If any class has not reached its apportionment, urge that it be done some time during the day. Even though the Children's Day program is to be given at night, mention the offering at the Sunday morning hour. Then at night add to the amount taken in at the Sunday-school hour and announce the total offering.

THE OFFERING WITHOUT SPECIAL PROGRAM.

There are a number of Sunday-schools every year that fail to take an offering on Children's Day because, for some reason, it isn't possible to prepare the exercises and songs provided for the special service. Now, when you think about it seriously, conditions in the local schools ought not to interrupt the carrying of Christ's gospel to the ends of the earth! And there is bound to be a vacancy wherever a Sunday-school fails to take an offering! *The offering is the big thing.* If "Jesus' Forest Children" is prepared in the most thorough manner and given by the most talented young people in the school, without an offering at the close, well, the unsaved in non-Christian lands will not receive much good from the inspiration you gain. But, on the other hand, an offering may be taken with only an earnest announcement of its purpose and a prayer to speed it away, and it will mean the light of the gospel to some hopeless souls and the joy of serving to those who give.

ONE WAY.

When the offering is taken in classes, without a special program, it may be done in an impressive way. Ask the Missionary Secretary, or someone who may be appointed, to select enough missionary verses to hand to each class on the Sunday before Children's Day. On June 4th have the names of all the classes on the blackboard or large sheet of cardboard. As the names are called the class rises, repeats its Scripture verse, and tells the amount raised. A good, stirring missionary hymn and prayer may follow.

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Missionary Committee of your Sunday-school, composed of a Chairman and a member from each of the

Departments, or if the school is not graded, someone who will know the needs of the various ages in the school, should have oversight of the Children's Day service. If you do not have an organization of this kind, let us urge that you effect it at once. Such a committee should have the whole missionary program of the Sunday-school in charge, and a sub-committee should look after the offering.

DISTRIBUTE COIN COLLECTORS AT ONCE.

By this time the coin envelopes

should be in the hands of every pupil in your Sunday-school. Do not stop with the Primary Department, think it is not necessary to provide a collector for the boys and girls in the advanced grades. The envelope for this year is one of particular attractiveness, with its picture of "The Hope of the World." Every time a coin is dropped into it, the thought, "*I am helping Jesus save the world children,*" will bring joy and happiness. *If you have not already distributed the coin envelopes, please do so at once.*

Good Plans for the Offering.

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS AND THE CHILDREN'S DAY OFFERING.

Here are two ways to do it:

1. *Have the Offering Committee* organize the work and make an Every-Member Canvass of every pupil in the entire school. The same plans might be followed out as are followed out in the Every-Member Canvass for the finances of the church. The main point is to get everybody to give something to the Children's Day offering.

2 *The Better Way.* When the class apportionments have been made, let each class have an Every-Member Canvass to reach the full class apportionment. The two most enthusiastic missionary members of the class should be on the committee to do the canvassing. In the larger adult classes, it might take more than two members—possibly four or six—but the main point is to canvass every member of every class to make a liberal offering on Children's Day. In the Beginners' and Primary Department, it might be well for the teacher to make the Every-Member Canvass and see that no child is missed. Let the slogan be *Every Member of Every Class of Every School in Every Church Give a Liberal Offering on Children's Day for World-Wide Missions.*

YOUNG MEN'S CLASS GAVE \$110.

Cameron, W. Va., June 5, 1916.

I write this morning to tell you that we had one of the most joyous days yesterday we have ever experienced. We had 450 in the Bible School and an offering of \$500. The Excelsior Class of young men gave \$110. This was the banner class last year.

HOW TEEN AGE BOYS GIVE AT DAMOH.

RAY E. RICE.

At a Thanksgiving service in the Damoh Church all the members were asked to make a Thanksgiving offering. A table was placed in the front of the church and the people brought their gifts to the table. One man gave a sheaf of rice; another gave a floursack half full of peanuts; another gave a bundle of sugar cane; another gave some cloth. The boys caught the spirit and were happy in making their offerings.

Several gave one penny.

Others gave several pennies.

Some gave as much as thirty pennies.

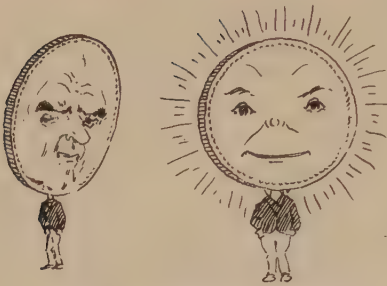
One gave some wild fruit fixed up in bags.

One had two C. E. pins and gave the best one.

One boy gave a handkerchief that he had made himself.



A Successful Every Member Canvass Team.



Which is the Missionary Dollar?

Another boy gave a big white rooster.
Another gave two little chickens.

All of these things were sold the next day and the money was placed in the treasury. It all amounted to over fifty rupees. Fifty rupees is \$16.50. This does not look like very much money, but it is a large sum for a poor church in India.

No one enjoyed the service more than the boys. *They were the givers and they were the ones who were receiving the greatest blessing.*

IN HONOR OF THEIR MISSIONARY.

Detroit, Mich., June 6, 1916.

To honor our missionary, Dr. A. L. Shelton, at Tibet, and make Children's Day, Sunday, June 4th, "Central's Greatest Day," was the aim of the Central Christian Bible School at Detroit. We set our aims for 500 present and an offering for Dr. Shelton's work of \$300. With a real live school and a real purpose in view, the campaign was one which resulted in an attendance of 556 and an offering of \$366.39.—D. K. Stewart, Superintendent.

The following is a good form of a letter to follow your Children's Day program. It should be written on Monday or Tuesday, June 4th or 5th:

Foreign Christian Missionary Society,
Box 884, Cincinnati, O.

Had the greatest Children's Day offering in the history of the school. *Enclosed please find check.*

(Signed) _____

NOTE.—Someone has said the sweetest words in the English language to-day are "Enclosed please find check."

ENLIST YOUR ADULT BIBLE CLASSES IN THE "ONE-DAY INCOME PLAN."

Children's Day is for the whole Sunday-school, and the adult classes should do their full part.

There is no better way to enlist the full co-operation of the Adult Bible classes in Foreign Missionary giving than through the "one-day income" plan of support. Most of the adult members of the Sunday-schools are wage earners in one way or another, and few people will hesitate at giving one day of their income to the great cause of Foreign Missions if the matter is properly presented to them.

A DAY'S WAGES FROM AN AMERICAN WILL GO A LONG WAYS IN MISSION FIELDS.

Your day's wages has a thousand highways open to it. It speeds on its way unhindered to carry our Christ's command. Your day's income is a part of yourself, and it projects your sympathy and love to the ends of the earth. It goes into the Christian hospitals and heals the maimed and blind and halt; it buys Scriptures in the vernacular and puts the open Bible in the hands of the worshiper of idols; it sustains the native evangelist and speaks out to the multitudes the word of truth; it cares for the orphan and makes of the heathen outcast an earnest Christian; it pays the native school-teacher, and brings light where there was once darkness; it helps support the foreign missionary and links mission fields to the heart of our American churches.

A DAY'S WAGES MAY NOT MEAN A GREAT SACRIFICE TO US, BUT IT MAY MEAN

The medicine to save many lives in Tibet.

The expense of four weeks' night school in Cuba.

A native evangelist's support for two months in Africa.

The conduct of a Sunday-school for six months in Japan.

The keeping of an orphan for a month in India.

The printing of fifty gospels for our work in the Philippines.

The education of a boy for three months in China.

MY! I NEVER DREAMED IT!

BILLI
CIGARS
ONE
YEAR
\$50.



And Foreign Missions, 50 Cents.

THE "ONE-DAY INCOME PLAN" IS SPREADING LIKE WILDFIRE.

Read what some of the people say about it:

"I enclose my small offering on the 'One-Day Income Plan.' I wish it were many times more. My prayers for the many workers go with it."—Naoma Shelton, Wellington, Kans.

"I am so glad to send a gift on the 'One-Day Income Plan' for Foreign Missions." (\$100 was enclosed.)—Mrs. M. J. Allen, Akron, Ohio.

"I am a widow with a small income, and will send this one dollar (wishing it was one hundred dollars) with my daily prayers for those who know not our loving Christ."—A Friend from Syracuse, N. Y.

"Last Sunday I asked the congregation for 'One Day's Income,' and appointed two ladies to receive the same at the door. They were given \$65 without further solicitation."—J. T. Brown, Sac City, Ia.

An isolated friend in Nevada where we have no church sends \$15, which is several days' income, and says she secured a nearby friend to give \$2.50.

"Your One-Day Income Plan is so fine I am sending \$5 in advance. I am taking this from an emergency fund and expect to earn this much next summer by selling berries from our garden."—Laura J. Ela, Burlington, Kans.

"While not a member of the Christian Church, I am glad to contribute my mite to this excellent plan. I am enclosing \$2, and if I find I can increase this little pledge, you may rest assured I will do so."—Hilda M. Hensley, Bedford, Ohio.

REASONS FOR THE "ONE-DAY INCOME" CAMPAIGN.

1. The work of your Foreign Society has grown far beyond the regular income.

2. The missionaries in all fields, out of longing hearts, have asked for \$50,000 for the most necessary things, and this the Society has been obliged to deny them.

3. The very success of the missionaries has created new obligations, which we dare not refuse to accept.

4. Your Foreign Society is a careful business institution, and cannot assume the responsibility for advance unless the churches back it up with increased offerings.

5. As yet our people are only playing at missions. Our average is a trifle over a cent per week per member for Foreign Missions, and this at a time when half the world is passing through a sacrificial experience such as history has never known.

You can double the offering for Foreign Missions on Children's Day through the ONE-DAY INCOME PLAN.

Who can withhold a day's wage from the support of our missionaries at the front?

Your adult Bible classes can have a real and worthy part in Children's Day through the One-Day Income Plan.

THE FIVE-DOLLAR GIVERS.

"The February number of the INTELLIGENCER came yesterday. It is wonderfully fine—without doubt, to my thinking, it is the greatest single issue of any missionary magazine that ever came to my desk." Testimonies such as this come into the office after each printing of the MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER. For years we have been sending this magazine free of charge to every one who makes an offering of FIVE DOLLARS or over on Children's Day. Although the expense of publishing the magazine has greatly increased, we make the same offer for this year. Thousands belong to the FIVE-DOLLAR LEAGUE at this time and receive the INTELLIGENCER each month. They are well informed on world events and missionary progress. Join the League!

SOME QUESTIONS.

CAN YOU ANSWER THEM?

How shall the Christless believe in Him of whom they have not heard?

How shall they hear without a preacher?

How shall they preach except they be sent?

How many will be sent if every Christian would do, proportionately to his income, as much for missions as I am now doing?

THINK IT OVER.

NEW OFFICER FOR THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We believe the time has come for every Sunday-school to elect a missionary librarian. The duty of this officer would be to circulate missionary magazines and books among the members of the Sunday-school. Even if you have no missionary library, elect a missionary librarian anyhow. Before thirty days pass the librarian will have secured some missionary books. The Foreign Society can furnish a fine set of ten volumes for \$5, which would be a great inspiration to the Sunday-school. It is not even necessary to have a bookcase. In fact, it might be better not to have a bookcase, for if the librarian is on the job, the books will be kept in circulation all the time. If the school is unable to buy these books, the Society will rent the ten books 60 days for fifty cents, if the school will pay the express or postage charges.

EUCLID AVENUE CHRISTIAN BIBLE
SCHOOL CHILDREN'S DAY APPOR-
TIONMENT, JUNE 10, 1916.

ADULT.

DEPARTMENT AND CLASS.	APPORTIONMENT.
Men's.....	\$100 00
Women's.....	80 00
Loyal Daughters.....	60 00
Loyal Sons.....	50 00
	<hr/> \$290 00

SENIOR-INTERMEDIATE.

Judge Henry's.....	\$62 50
Mr. Randall's.....	32 50
Mrs. Bryan's.....	16 00
Miss Woodward's.....	10 00
Miss Engle's.....	15 00
Ralph Henn's.....	17 00
Miss Brown's.....	12 50
Redge Henn's.....	12 50
T. E. Hann's.....	15 00
	<hr/> 193 00

JUNIOR.

Mrs. Haggerty's.....	5 00
Mr. Marshall's.....	5 00
Mr. Sieman's.....	5 00
Miss Walker's.....	5 00
Mr. Eaton's.....	5 00
Mr. Hayden's.....	7 50
Miss Henry.....	8 50
Eula Bailey's.....	10 00
Mr. Young's.....	8 50
Orma Bailey's.....	11 00
	<hr/> 70 50
PRIMARY DEPARTMENT....	\$35 00
KINDERGARTEN AND CRADLE	
ROLL DEPARTMENTS....	37 50
OFFICERS.....	25 00

Total Apportionments..	\$651 00
First Sunday Offerings	
(Estimated).....	150 00
Basket Offering needed to	
equal 1916 offering...	68 51

1916 Children's Day	
Contribution to F. C.	
M. S.....	\$869 51

This school aims to raise \$900 this year.

NEW PLAN FOR BIRTHDAY
OFFERINGS.

One pastor writes of a plan of having all birthday offerings given on a single Sunday. The idea is to arrange for some Sunday in advance and then make announcement, so that all would understand. Then have teachers and Department Superintendents announce thoroughly and organize for the

offering. Then on the appointed day the different classes either put their money in a class birthday box or plate, or march up by classes and give their birthday money. In this way the whole school had a simultaneous birthday and more than doubled its regular birthday offerings.

SHELBYVILLE, KY., USED TITHING
SYSTEM FOR CHILDREN'S DAY
OFFERING.

The Shelbyville Christian Bible School used the tithing system on last Children's Day with a great measure of success. The plan had its incentive with our former pastor, Homer W. Carpenter, who brought the sub-



ject up at a meeting of the teachers and officers of the Sunday-school. There the plan was discussed and definitely formulated. It was finally decided to try to get all the members of the school pledged to give one-tenth of their income for the preceding week before Children's Day. So on the Sunday before taking the offering, tithing pledge cards were given to members of different classes. The teachers went over the plans with the pupils during the class period. When the cards were turned in after the classes had reassembled, it was found that practically all those present had signed pledges. The men making fifty or one hundred dollars a week down to newsboys making one dollar

a week agreed to tithe their income for the week. On the following Sunday the offering was taken, and it was found to be *more than twice as large* as that taken on any previous Children's Day. We had 212 pupils present with a total collection of \$113.33. In the collection there were several five-dollar bills, and all felt very much overjoyed at the outcome.

GIVERS AND OMITTERS.

One school reports the following plan in taking their offering for Children's Day. Note that they keep a record of the *omitters* as well as the givers:

DEPARTMENT.	GIVERS.	OMITTERS.
Officers.....	12	..
Home Department.....	37	14
Seniors.....	127	9
Intermediates.....	75	6
Junior.....	93	3
Primary.....	72	2
Beginners.....	34	3
Total.....	450	37

SOME DON'TS ABOUT THE OFFERING.

1. Don't put all your energy on the program and neglect the offering.
2. Don't wait till the last week to boost the offering.
3. Don't be satisfied with a small offering. Make it big.
4. Don't talk about pennies for the offering. Talk of dimes and dollars, and bills and checks.
5. Don't omit the Senior and Adult Departments from your offering plans.
6. Don't take a collection; take an offering.
7. Don't keep the offering after you take it. Send it in!
8. Don't fail to distribute the coin collectors at once.
9. Don't forget that the goal is \$125,000 for this year.
10. Don't forget that the Lord expects us to do our best.
11. Don't forget that our Box Number is 884.

AIMS WORTH STRIVING FOR.

1. THE HONOR ROLL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.
These schools raise their apportionment or more on Children's Day.
2. THE EVERY-MEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL.
In these schools every member in the Sunday-school contributes something on Children's Day. This is a splendid aim.
3. THE HIGH AVERAGE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.
This class of schools averages one dollar per member or more on Children's Day. Many are in this class.

4. THE LIVING-LINK SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

These schools raise \$600 or more on Children's Day to support their own missionary. We have several Sunday-schools already doing this.

Why not strive for one or more of these aims? Only the larger schools can attain the last, but thousands of schools can reach one or more of the first three aims.

WOULD YOU LIKE THIS DOSE OF MEDICINE?

It is often prescribed in China:

Powdered snake.....	2 parts.
Centipedes.....	6 parts.
Scorpions.....	4 parts.
Wasps and their nests.....	1 part.
Toads.....	20 parts.

Grind thoroughly, mix with honey, and make into pills. Two to be taken four times daily.

Every church member who refuses to make a contribution to Foreign Missions ought to be required to take some of these Chinese pills.

SPECIAL PREPARATION.

First Christian Church, Beatrice, Neb.

1. *Long in advance*, Children's Day was marked out as a great event in the school and announced time and again in our church weekly, *The Messenger*. We set two goals: First, an attendance of 1,000; and second, an offering of \$600. We fell short in attendance, but went beyond the goal in the offering.

2. *The Sunday preceding* Children's Day the sermon stressed the idea of individual responsibility of the followers of Christ for the evangelization of the world.

3. *The superintendents apportioned* the whole amount to be raised among the various classes and these apportionments were printed in the *Messenger* and displayed in Sunday-school and church on a blackboard two weeks preceding the time for the offering. Then on Children's Day the classes were all brought into the auditorium, and as the secretary read the name of the class and the apportionment, the class responded with the amount it had raised, and this amount was written alongside of the apportionment. You can imagine the intense interest of teachers and classes as this roll was called. Several of the classes went quite a little beyond the apportionment, others raised just the amount, and a few fell a little below. I should like to suggest right here that I think it would be better if the apportionments were announced two or three months ahead of Children's Day instead of two or three weeks.

4. *The children gave* a splendid program at

the evening service, and the offering at this service added quite a little to what had been given in the morning.

5. *Some personal soliciting* was done preceding Children's Day. This is the plan we have followed heretofore, except that we have not made the apportionment before.

The chief reason why this plan succeeded with us was because all officers and teachers were for it enthusiastically.—C. F. Stevens.

GOOD SHOWING.

First Christian Church, Washington, Pa.

For the past six years our offering and attendance have been as follows:

	ATTENDANCE.	OFFERING.
1911.....	826	\$453 00
1912.....	820	555 25
1913.....	837	601 00
1914.....	1,004	494 00
1915.....	1,376	438 99
1916.....	1,230	470 00

From these figures it will be seen that we sometimes advance a little and sometimes retreat a little; but in the main do pretty well for a school whose average attendance has always been below 500, except for the year 1915, when the average for the fifty-two Sundays was 517.

Now in order to secure 1,000 people or more and get them to give \$500 or thereabouts on each Children's Day, it necessarily requires some work. Some previous thought in the matter is necessary.

Our plan has been: A month or more be-

fore the occasion to name three committees: *First* a Program Committee, made up of the pastor, the chorister, and three teachers, preferably one of the Primary, one of the Junior, and one of the Intermediate Departments. *Next*, the Attendance Committee, made up of twelve or fifteen "live wires" from the Adult and the Senior Departments. Lastly, the Offering Committee, composed of about ten of the most earnest teachers and liberal givers. *These Committees meet early and organize thoroughly.* But each member of each committee has a definite work to do. Each committee meets frequently, reports are given and plans discussed. Then when on Children's Day morning a thousand people come to the school bringing with them Five Hundred Dollars for Missions, we know that the committees have done their work well. Then we test the work of the Program Committee, and if everything goes along smoothly, we are always ready to say "Thank you" to all who in any way helped to make the day a success, and "You are welcome" to all visitors and on-lookers, and "Attend Sunday-school regularly" to one and all who are present.—Byron E. Tombaugh, Superintendent.

Mansfield, Ohio June 5, 1916.

The Bible School of the First Christian Church at Mansfield wishes to report a great day yesterday, June 4th. Our Children's Day was a success. Our aim for the offering for Foreign Missions was \$250 from the Bible School. We came up with an offering of \$362.07.—F. R. Cook, Superintendent.

Missions Every Sunday.

JOSEPH W. HELMS.

The missionary enterprise ought to have first place in the Sunday-school. Every Lord's Day should be a missionary day.

The opening prayer should be for some phase of missions, preferably connected up with a few minutes of missionary instruction, which every Sunday-school should have every Sunday. This should be in the hands of the Missionary Committee, who will find available the very best literature on the subject by applying to the Mission Boards.

Instead of the funds raised in the Sunday-school being used to purchase equipment and literature, the church ought to become responsible for these things and every dollar raised in the Sunday-school be devoted to missions. The small school should support its own native evangelist in the foreign field, while the large schools should support their own foreign missionary. The small schools the second year should endeavor to support two native evangelists, and each year add another worker, and in ten years they could support a foreign missionary.

The Children's Day Songs.

Not enough attention is paid to the songs in the Children's Day service. In "Jesus' Forest Children" they are, with but one exception, quite new, being written for this program. "Lo, the Hosts of Our Lord" and "We Come, We Come, with Hearts Rejoicing" and "The Higher Call" should be learned by the Sunday-schools and used the year around. "What Have You Done To-day?" is a new Fillmore song, used in this way for the first time. It will appear later in one of their publications. Why not cut these songs out of the program leaflet and paste in your regular song book? Or, for twenty-five cents a hundred each we will send the two first-named songs, printed on good paper.

"Softly Bear Him and Slow," the memorial song, written by Mrs. A. F. Hensey upon the death of Ray Eldred,

is a gem of poetry put to music of the highest type by Carl F. Price, a composer who is fast making a name for himself in musical circles. Mr. Price wrote the music for several of the other songs in the program.

DEAR MISS DEMOSS:

"In reading the proofs of the music written by Mr. Carl F. Price for you for your Children's Day service "Jesus' Forest Children," I was struck with its merit as high class. Especially was I pleased with the piece entitled "Softly Bear Him and Slow," a tribute to the memory of R. Ray Eldred. That is beautiful music and will please the cultured musicians among our people. Both words and music merit high praise.

"Fraternally,
"J. H. FILLMORE."

Sunday-School Competition in Japan.

Sunday School Competition in Japan

In the February issue of *The Mission Field* this startling statement appears: "The Buddhists in Japan have opened 610 additional Sunday-schools in two months. This movement was inaugurated at the time of the emperor's coronation in the fall of 1915, and in April of this year, six months after the coronation, there were 800 Buddhist Sunday-schools in Japan, with a registration of 120,000 children.

"The Buddhist sect best known for its imitation of Christianity is the Nishi Hongwanji, which has a Sunday-school board that acts for all Japan. This board gives a banner to the best Sunday-schools and confers medals for special merit. The child having the best record in each Buddhist Sunday-school is given the privilege of visiting the far-famed buildings and treasures of the West Hongwanji temples.

"In every detail the Buddhist Sunday-school imitates the Christian school—the same officers and committees, the same classification of departments. They have even gone so far as to organize mothers' meetings and young men's associations.

"But the climax of imitation is reached in the music. Christian hymns—words, tunes, and all—have been appropriated. Such songs as 'O for a thousand tongues to sing,' 'Jesus loves me, this I know,' 'Bringing in the sheaves,' 'God is love,' are being used by the Buddhists, practically the only change being the substitution of the name of Buddha for that of Jesus. Buddha is referred to again and again as 'Heavenly Father,' and to him are ascribed many of the attributes of the living God."

"Can't Do It and Live the Way I Am Living Now."

ABE CORY.

I was seated in the observation car of a California train recently in which were a number of men reading newspapers. The paper dropped from the hand of one of them, and an oath slipped across his lips as he said "Think of the number of people that are suffering in the world, and here we go on living in so much comfort and ease." So spoke the man of the world.

A few hours later a man known for his loyalty to the doctrines of the New Testament said, when asked for a gift, "I can't do it and live the way I am living now." I quietly asked him, "Have we a right to live the way we are living now, in face of the suffer-

ing of Europe, and, more, when you stop to think that there is more suffering each year because of heathenism in China, India, or Africa than there has been in Europe since the war began?"

I dare say that the hour has come when the doctrine of Christ must be backed by the life of Christ in each of our individual lives. To say "I can't give and live the way I am living now" is no excuse. Has any man, woman, or child the right to go on in ease when the world is suffering? We must reduce the standard of living in order to increase the standard of giving. This is the hour of the world's supreme sacrifice. Is it yours?



PAULINE BIBLE CLASS.

This represents the Pauline Bible Class of the Marshall, Saline County, Mo., Christian Church (taken last September) originating from the nucleus of a class formed May 1874, with Dr. M. T. Chastain as teacher from that time to the present. The teacher is the only living charter member of this congregation residing here, and only four others are now living elsewhere. This class has for years, besides its regular church budget for church, missionary and other expenses, contributed annually to Foreign Missions \$150.

AMONG OUR MISSIONARIES.

About the Workers.

Dr. Mary McGavran reports 25,237 treatments at the dispensary in the year 1916.

W. R. Hunt, of Chuchow, China, reports five baptisms. There are some fifty or more inquirers who will soon be baptized.

H. C. Saum, Mungeli, India, reports ten baptisms in the last month. He states that the outlook is very bright. The missionaries are all well and happy.

About a thousand persons, young and old, attended the various Christmas exercises in the seven Sunday-schools connected with the mission in Tokyo. Christmas is becoming increasingly popular in Japan.

Leslie Wolfe, Manila, P. I.: "Baptisms, 30; average attendance at Sunday-school, 634. A new opening was made in a village near Bulacan, and a Sunday-school organized. A new chapel was finished at Alfonso, in Cavite province.

At Longa, Africa there are about sixty in the inquirers' class. Of course all will come not up to the standard for baptism, but it is hoped a good number will. Many of these are new; they have come to the station for the first time."

Dr. L. B. Kline, Vigan, P. I.: "The hospital is booming. I have a good motorcycle now and am able to take occasional trips. The hospital has taken on one of the evangelists as bookkeeper. He has systematic charge of the hospital evangelistic work also. His staff is now holding Sunday-schools at three different places."

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Young, Fukushima, Japan: "In the month there were eight baptisms—seven at Haranomachi and one here at Fukushima. Many more are being taught with a view to baptism in the near future. The outlook is very promising, especially with respect to a larger financial support from the local churches."

P. A. Davey reports three baptisms in Koishikawa, Tokyo. Two of these were husband and wife. The new baptistery put in by the church was used on this occasion for the first time. He writes, "I have a new Bible class in my home every Tuesday, a class of young men from the Y. M. C. A. dormitory, sixteen men attending."

Dr. Geo. W. Brown, of Jubbulpore, India, had the privilege of attending the National Missionary Council as a member. During

two months he gave his time to teaching in the Bible College, and also to teaching Hindi to the new missionaries. The press has finished an edition of 5,000 Hindi hymn books, which are already being used in six different missions. Plague is now rampant in Jubbulpore, interfering much with the work.

A. F. Hensey, Bolenge, Africa: "The Christmas gathering is just over. We baptized twenty-six people. The evangelists have returned to their fields. I am much pleased with the growth and progress of the work during my absence. The Commissaire at Coquilhatville is a very fine man, who takes much interest in the work of missions. He sent us a hundred francs as an offering at Christmastime."

Frank V. Stipp, Laoag, P. I.: "Number of Sunday-school classes in the Laoag district, 89; average Sunday-school attendance, 2,024; baptisms, 22. The district evangelist of the Vigan station made an extensive itinerary of four weeks and baptized 23. I have just finished a glorious eight-days' itinerary among the pagans of the mountains east of Vigan, visiting four or five villages a day. The people need a missionary very much."

Dr. W. E. Macklin, Nanking, China: "I have been trying to get some money from the officials for the poor in the hospital. The vice-president gave me \$300, the civil governor \$100, the police commissioner \$40, the chairman of the chamber of commerce \$20. A few days ago I went to Luho to give the commencement address before the Friends' Academy. I also preached for them. I am preparing to take part in the evangelistic campaign of the China New Year."

Fred E. Hagin, Tokyo, Japan: "At Katsura there have been two baptisms, and four in the city of Chiba. A Christian merchant contributed several hundred toys to be distributed among the thirteen Sunday-schools directed by F. E. Hagin. Two Japanese pastors will visit Hachijo Island and conduct meetings every night in the week for about two weeks. A number are about to be baptized."

W. L. Burner, Matanzas, Cuba: "I am passing the week quite actively here in Jovellanos in a meeting. The chapel is small, and by extreme packing we have accommodated about 150 to 175 each night. But last night there were so many who could

not get even standing room that I announced we would have two services to-night—one for children at six, and the other for the grown people at 7.30. We sorely need a better and larger building. We should have our own property."

L. D. Oliphant, Akita, Japan: "Akita is having a heavy snowfall this winter, and railroad traffic is seriously interfered with in some places. However, it is not very cold. One Sunday recently the Japanese nation celebrated the Russo-Japanese War. Two men in that war, petty officers, but who showed exceptional bravery, have been made gods of war. They were both killed in action. The ordinary soldiers who fall in battle are also deified and worshipped."

D. O. Cunningham, Bilaspur, India: "We are having a splendid time *en tour*. We are selling many Gospels and tracts, and the people are receiving us well everywhere. We are anticipating a fruitful year and look longingly in at the open doors. May the great, rich, capable, strong body of Disciples of Christ be led some way to appreciate the glory that waits an adequate response to the challenge of the too long delayed task. And may they also be led to feel the shame and disgrace that shall be marked in every soul that fails to do his duty in this dark hour of the world's history."

Dr. Geo. W. Brown, Jubbulpore, India, I writes: "We are having considerable trouble in Jubbulpore now on account of plague. There are not as many deaths occurring this year as in previous epidemics, because the people have fled to the fields and to the country, but we had a very heavy rain a short time ago and many of the people returned to their homes. Consequently deaths are increasing. There have been no cases on our compound as yet, but dead squirrels

have been found, especially on Mr. Grainger's compound. People are obliged to move out of their houses into huts. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Grainger were inoculated against the plague to-day. Most of us and most of our Indian Christians were inoculated some time ago."

J. E. Moody, Bilaspur, India: "Owing to the plague, we had to close our schools here and forsake our bungalows. Mr. Cunningham and I decided to evangelize, and started out on preaching tours. We preached from village to village and showed pictures of the life of Christ at night. We covered much new territory and preached to thousands who had never heard the story before. We were especially successful in selling Gospels and religious pamphlets and little songbooks. One day the members of my party sold seventy of these. The people also bought ten dollars' worth of medicine. We usually charge a half a cent for writing the name of the patient and then half a cent more for the medicine."

E. P. Gish, Nanking, China: "We had a splendid conference at Chuchow, led by Mr. Tewksberry of the Sunday-school Union. I was there for the full two weeks. And aside from the spiritual uplift that came to me personally, I felt that the meeting was a great blessing in bringing together all the leaders and giving us an opportunity to get acquainted. Since the conference our Sunday-school at South Gate has a regular normal class; our adult classes have been organized; interest, attendance, and offerings have increased, and almost our entire membership has been enlisted for some form of service. This applies to both church and Sunday-school. We feel that the Chuchow Conference did us much good, and we are looking forward to another of not less than a month next year."

AFRICA.

GOOD CHEER FROM BOLENGE.

MRS. W. R. HOLDER.

If only people knew how happily and comfortably we are situated, I believe it would not be so difficult to get workers to come out. In my mind, the greatest hardship one is called upon to endure is the separation from friends and loved ones. But what a joy to look forward to the time when we can spend a whole year with them! It does not seem so long between mails; even in these war times we have mail twice a month.

We miss the good sermons in our own language, and the music, but what can be more inspiring than hearing the voices of the children of the forest who have known our Saviour such a short time, praising him and in song telling of his wonderful love!

We do not lack for amusement, for we are too busy and too happy in our work to feel the need of it.

TIBET.

REPORT FROM BATANG.

DR. W. M. HARDY.

MOLLY BUCKNER HARDY.

Molly Buckner Hardy, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Will Hardy of Batang, Tibet. Batang is the farthest outpost of the kingdom in the world. There are eight missionary children at Batang, Tibet. These are the only missionary children in all that land.



The day she was two years old, singing Tibetan!

Dispensary treatments for the month, 333; calls to homes, 202. Owing to delay in medicine coming to Batang, I was out of quinine last April. I wired to Chungking and Tatsienlu on the 26th of that month. Tatsienlu sent some by a special runner, who was robbed; bought a little on the street and sent it by mail, and asked Yachow to mail me a little. In the three months following my telegrams I received two answers. In reply to my

Chungking message, from which place I ordered a pound sent by letter post, I heard nothing until November 3rd, when the goods arrived. It was six months and six days after I wired that I received what I wanted. Had it taken a week longer, I would have been out of the drug and with five foreigners in the station suffering from malaria. In Batang there is a small-pox scare, and all foreigners have been revaccinated. There have been more calls to visit the homes of late than I have had since I took the medical work.

The Tibetans killed one soldier and wounded another one here. I had to



Molly and her Dolly.



Trying to see what her father is doing with the camera.

operate on the wounded one. A Tibetan who was accused of knowing something of the crime was beaten so severely that he can not recover. He got to Batang twenty days after his punishment. One leg had an eight-inch circle of skin missing; the other was twice its normal size. His general condition was bad on account of the several thousand blows he had received. The Chinaman who was operated on is about well.

MONEY

The Disappointed Dollars.



I wanted to go to China, but a selfish little girl spent me for ice cream.

I wanted to help preach the gospel in Africa, but they spent me on the movies.

I wanted to go 14,000 miles to Tibet, but a little boy spent me for popcorn and chewing gum.

I was planning to help the women in India, but a rich lady spent me to go to the theater.



A little girl gave me for Foreign Missions, but the Church Board borrowed me for Current Expenses and didn't pay me back.

I am just dying to get in the Children's Day collection, but they are about to spend me for a feather.

I wanted to help build a chapel in the Philippines, but a deacon spent me for cigars.

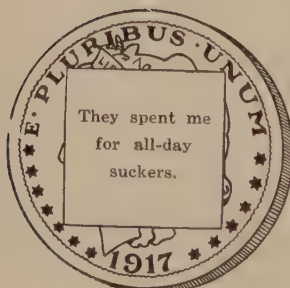
I was in an Intermediate Girl's hand, but she spent me for hair-ribbons.



A boy started to Sunday-school with me on Children's Day and spent forty cents at the drug store for ice cream soda for himself and his friends. I was all broken up when I got to church.

A good elder had me, and he said, "A quarter is enough for the heathen," and put the rest of me in his stuffy old pocketbook.

I wanted to help build a kindergarten in Japan, but a junior girl spent me on all-day suckers and ice cream cones.



Oh, we are so disappointed. We wanted to do some good in the world. We wanted to help the children of Africa and India and all the other countries, so that they could have Sunday-schools and Bibles. Some of us are so broken up and so spent that it's impossible for us to do much good. We are just heartbroken because we can't go. Won't you people who love the Lord and love the heathen children be sure to get us next time and put us in the Children's Day offering, so we can help tell the story of Jesus all over the world?

TALKS.

The Happy, Joyous Dollars. Hear What They Say.

I'm going to buy twenty New Testaments.

I'm going across the Atlantic and support a student one week in India.

I am going to the Philippines and run a mission printing press.

I'm on my way to Japan to help run a kindergarten.

I will furnish Christian books for a day-school of ten pupils.

I will sustain a native evangelist for a week.

I will pay the rent of a chapel for two weeks.

I will give the heathen two thousand one-leaf tracts.

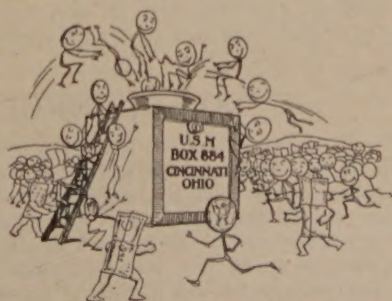
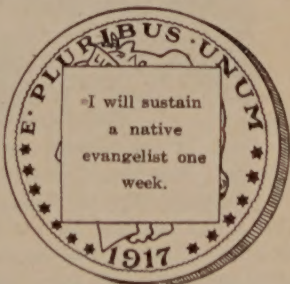
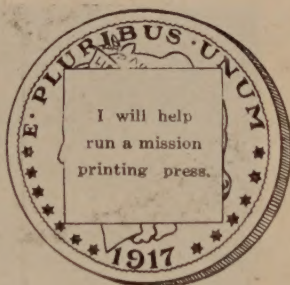
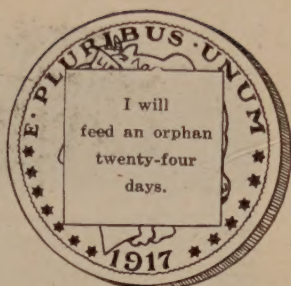
I will support a boy in day school for two weeks.

I will support a boy in an orphanage for twenty-four days.

Oh, we are all so happy! We just don't know what to do! The boys and girls who had us gave us so freely and gladly that it warmed our hearts. They said, "Good-bye, God bless you." Some of the people prayed about giving us to missions. One man after he prayed, gave ten dollars instead of one.

When we got up to Cincinnati, in Box 884, there came tumbling all about us the happy, joyous dollars from all over the United States. We were awfully crowded all night, but the next morning we heard someone unlocking the box, and there stood Billy.* We cried out, "Good morning, Billy! Please have them send us out to do good at once." So here we are, just starting out to all parts of the world. We are very, very happy, and we are sure wherever we go that we will bring joy and happiness to all the people. We cannot thank you enough for letting us go.

*NOTE.—"Billy" Colsher is the bookkeeper in the mission rooms and assistant to Mr. Plopper, the Treasurer. He is a personal friend of every dollar that comes through Box 884.



Happy Joyous Dollars

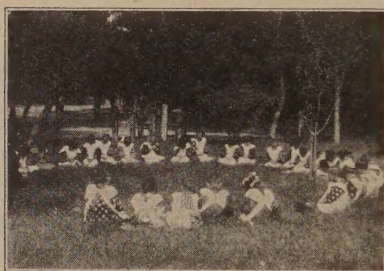
SCENES FROM KINDERGARTEN, AKITA, JAPAN.



Lunch in the park.



Third class.



First and second classes returning thanks for lunch.



At play in the park, near statue of Baron Satake.

CHILDREN'S DAY IN FAR-AWAY LANDS.

Takinogawa, Tokyo, Japan,

June 17, 1916.

I want to tell you of the very fine Children's Day exercise we had the first Sunday in June. I will enclose an order for the offering. This year I tried to make it more like Children's Day at home, and was sorry that I had not sent for the Children's Day literature that you had prepared. I will do that next year. Anyway, we had the five Sunday-schools all together, 210 children. Each school had prepared two selections for the program and they were all of a higher tone than ever. One school was represented

by two little girls. One knew about Sunday-school and the other did not. The one who did began by telling her that that little Sunday-school was just one and that there were four others in Takinogawa, and that there were others in Akita, Sendai, Tokyo, and Osaka. Then she told about the Board in Cincinnati and how they sent teachers to Japan, India, China, and Africa. Mr. Hirai made the speech this year and told them more about foreign missions. The offering was not as large as last year, but we hope to send five dollars.—Mary F. Lediard.

NO SOUVENIR COINS THIS YEAR.

For several years past we have been sending a souvenir coin to all who gave \$1 or more on Children's Day. These came from China, Japan, the Philippines, India, Africa, and Cuba. This year we had planned to give a coin from Jamaica, but we were unable to get them shipped to us on account of the war. Then we tried Panama. The government of Panama would not allow their coins to be

shipped out. It has been absolutely impossible for us to secure any coins this year. We hope therefore that the children will be taught to give for the sake of giving, and not because they are going to get a souvenir. Will not every superintendent and teacher carefully explain this to the children so that they will not be disappointed?

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR DEPARTMENT.

ANOTHER FINE GAIN.

The receipts from the Endeavor Societies for the month of March were \$1,661.15, a gain of \$632.01 over the same month last year. The gain on the year to April first is \$1,508.44. At the beginning of the missionary year the watchword, "\$15,000 from the Endeavor Societies by September 30, 1917," looked pretty large. The young people have been praying and giving and the results are coming. The watchword can be realized by a further gain of \$3,245.12 before September 30, 1917. This is not at all impossible. We can do it, Endeavorers, and enrich our own lives by so doing. Has your Society done its best? Write the Foreign Office the amount you will send.

A USEFUL ENDEAVORER.

One of the few Christian Endeavor Societies of the Philippine Islands is located at Laoag. Laoag is one of our mission stations that is located at the north end of the Island of Luzon, a hundred and fifty miles from the railroad. This Endeavor Society is wide-awake and is always seeking a way to help in the Lord's work. It is they who have been most active in making the Laoag Sunday-school one of the banner schools of this land and in boosting its average attendance well over the thousand mark.

One of the Endeavorers was a young man of eighteen who was teaching the new missionaries to talk his language. He also taught a class in the Sunday-school. One Sunday Mrs. Stipp robbed him of about half his class to give to another teacher. This might have discouraged some teachers, for he only had eight pupils left. But not so with this boy, for he hunted about and found other boys who were not attending Sunday-school, and the next Sunday he had twelve in his class. This caused him to think of using his pupils in finding new ones. So he told them of his plan and asked them to help him. The next Sunday there were thirty-five present. Some of the little boys had brought as many as five new ones. They came early and had those whom they had found to follow them about the church wherever they went. They were very proud of what they had done, and they had a right to be, for they were thus serving God. Perhaps some of the Endeavorers at home have not done as much as this young Filipino has in serving Jesus and his church, and some of the Juniors have not done as much as these little brown boys in serving God and helping

the Sunday-school. But remember, Endeavorers of the home land, the Filipino boys and girls are looking to you for their example, just as their fathers and mothers are looking to your fathers and mothers, so let us render our service by setting a good example before all the other Endeavorers of the world.—Frank V. Stipp.

MISS H. GERALDINE LESTER.

Chairman of the Missionary Committee C. E. Society of First Church, Oakland, Cal.

Miss Lester is the daughter of J. N. Lester, a faithful minister of the Word up to the time of his death last September. As Chairman of the Missionary Committee and former President, she has accomplished a



splendid work in this Society. It was organized January 1, 1915, and contributed \$6 to the work of the Foreign Society that year. Last year it gave \$20 for the support of an orphan boy at Damoh, India. This year the Senior and Intermediate Societies have pledged \$100 for the support of Mr. R. Hilario, an evangelist in Aparri, P. I., and Mr. Petelo Bakutu, an evangelist at Lotumbe, Africa. Miss Lester writes:

"Two years ago we organized our Society, beginning with the new year of 1915. We had our hardships and discouragements, but in less than a year we were a 'live wide-awake Society.' Our missionary meetings were known to be our most enthusiastic meetings. I remember that we had to continue one such meeting for two Sundays. As we grew in missionary enthusiasm, we

grew rapidly along other Christian lines, until now we are considered as one of the 'livest' Societies in the county, and our fame along missionary lines has been passed to the other Societies. At present we have fifty-one members. In September they organized an Intermediate Society with ten members (we now have twenty-four), and I have the great honor of being Superintendent of these young people. The Intermediates have a missionary library of fourteen books."

OVER THE HUNDRED MARK.

In the December issue of the *MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER* the hope was expressed that one hundred Societies could be found that would be willing to become "Life-lines" this year. Up to April first—just one-half of the missionary year—one hundred and three

Societies have reached this standard, seven of which are "Double Life-lines." Others are considering the step. Can we not make it one hundred and fifty before September 30? Since last report the following Societies have become Life-lines:

Kingman, Kans., supporting Sawaki San, Osaka, Japan; Findlay (Central), Ohio, supporting P. Tungpalan, Aparri, P. I.; Oakland (First), Cal. (Double Life-line), supporting R. Hilario, Aparri, P. I., and Petelo Bakutu, Lotumbe, Africa; Billings, Mont., (not as yet assigned); Brock, Neb., supporting B. Tabios, Laoag, P. I.; Pasadena (First), Cal., supporting Yakoba Esona, Lotumbe, Africa (Senior C. E.); Cleveland (Glenville), Ohio, supporting Ntaola, Lotumbe, Africa; Tyrone, Okla., supporting Octavio Janier, Vigan, P. I.; Des Moines (Central), Iowa, supporting Bosoa, Lotumbe, Africa.

BOOK NOTICES.

EXTRA CHILDREN'S DAY MATERIAL.

MISSIONARY POEMS AND READINGS. A fine collection of recitations and readings for missionary meetings of any kind. The book is divided into sections and covers the needs of all departments in the Sunday-school. 15 cents.

MISSIONARY MATERIAL FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMS. A new sixteen-page booklet containing a number of exercises never before published and some of the best material used by the Foreign Society in its programs for a number of years past. 10 cents.

THE GLORIOUS GOSPEL. By Adam K. Adcock, Standard Publishing Co., Cincinnati. Price, \$1.

This volume consists of fifteen sermons. The sermons are on fundamental themes, such as The Bible, The Testaments, Religion, Sin, The Gospel, Jesus of Nazareth, The Holy Spirit, The Apostles, The Great Commission, The Church, The Christian Memorials, Salvation. The author believes in the Bible from cover to cover. Its statements are with him an end of all controversy. Like the pioneers, he gives chapter and verse for every assertion.

MISSIONARY DEMONSTRATIONS.

Some Sunday-schools find it profitable to have some simple exercises for the children at the regular Sunday morning hour and

have a missionary demonstration on Sunday or some week-day night. We want to suggest some excellent material for use in this way:

1. **INASMUCH**, a sketch in drama form, telling of the work of C. E. Garst and the winning of O'Ino San, our first Japanese convert. Ten characters. Price, 10 cents.

2. **THE HEALING OF THE THAKUR'S CHILD**, the story of an incident in the life of one of our missionary doctors. Three men characters, the child, and patients. Price, 5 cents.

3. **SUNLIGHT OR CANDLELIGHT**, the visit of a New York girl to Japan and what she learned while there. Five characters. Price, 25 cents.

4. **SLAVE GIRL OR SCHOOL GIRL**. Some incidents in the home life of a well-to-do Chinese bookseller. Seven characters. Price, 25 cents.

5. **KANJUNDU**, demonstrating the power of the witch doctor in Africa and his yielding to the power of the gospel. Fifteen characters. 25 cents.

6. **KOSIKI**, showing the transformation of a Korean village through the influence of one Christian convert. Six characters. Price, 15 cents.

7. **THE PILGRIMAGE**, a thrilling story of the first day of the Moslem pilgrimage to Mecca. Fifteen characters. 25 cents.